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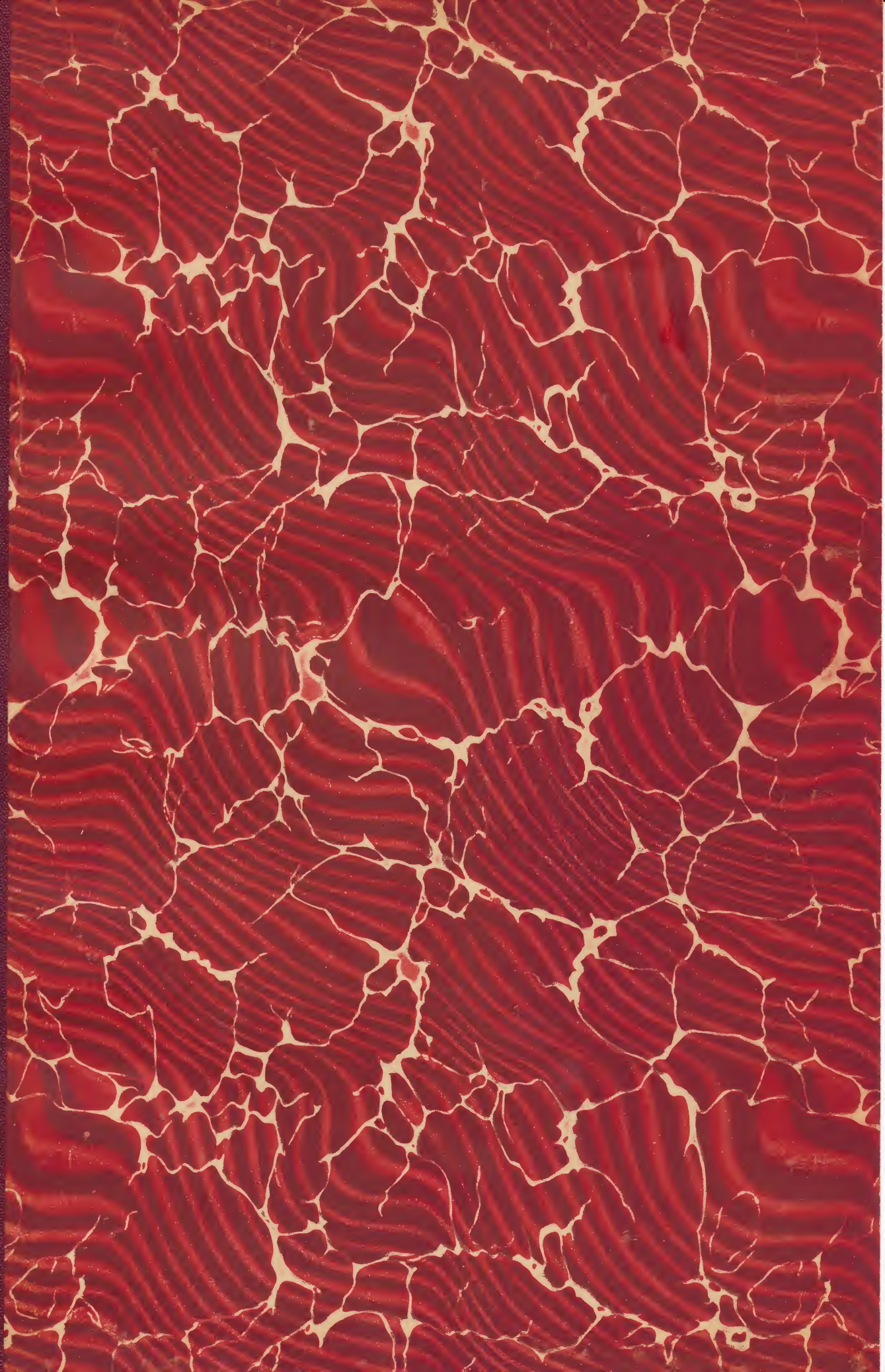
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Franklin Martin Humphrey was born in Richland township, Kalamazoo county, Michigan, on the farm where Roy Nichols now lives in 1942, the date of his birth being December 29, 1855. He was the son of William J. Humphrey and wife, who came from the state of New York. She brought with her several head of short horn Durhams and was the first to start that breed of cattle in that part of Kalamazoo county. Her mother was a full blooded Indian.

Franklin was educated in the Richland school and Parsons Business College, being graduated from the latter.

June 3, 1886, he was married by the Reverend Milton Bradley to Annie Elizabeth Williams, who was born in Barry county, Michigan, January 18, 1865, daughter of Lewis and Elizabeth Steadman Williams. She attended school in Hickory Corners and was graduated from the Richland Seminary, after which she taught the old Brown School near Pine Lake. She was about five feet eight inches tall, trim built,

had blue eyes and brown hair, was very literary and was a charter member of the Barry County Literary Club, an early member of the Richland Eastern Star and belonged to the Rebekahs. She united with a church in Hickory Corners and after her marriage united with the Presbyterian Church in Richland, where she was active in the ladies' societies. She enjoyed knitting and crocheting. She died August 22, 1936.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Martin Humphrey were the parents of: (1) William Steadman, born September 21, 1890, was graduated from Western State Normal, married Florence Franklin of Albany, New York, June 19, 1919, became the father of Steadman Franklin,

born in Jacksonville, Florida, November 3, 1921, taught manual arts and mathematics in Park River, North Dakota; Racine, Wisconsin; Genesee, Illinois; and Jacksonville, Florida; died May 10, 1923; the son Steadman Franklin, was graduated from the high school in Lexington, Massachusetts, in 1941, was an active worker in the Church of Christ in Westford, Massachusetts, is in officers' training school at Fort Pickett, Virginia, and is a sergeant;

(2) Dale Williams Humphrey, born August 7, 1897, attended the Richland school through the eleventh

and blue eyes and brown hair, was very lively and
 was a charter member of the Betty Gandy Literary
 Club, an early member of the National Student Club
 and belonged to the Kiwanis. She married with a
 husband in Henry County and later the marriage
 ended with the Presbyterian Church in Richmond.
 where she was active in the ladies' societies. She
 enjoyed collecting and organizing. She died August
 22, 1955.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Morris Humphrey were the
 parents of (1) Willie Weathers, born September 22,
 1890, was graduated from Western State Normal,
 married Frances Franklin at Albany, New York, June
 12, 1915, became the father of Franklin Franklin,
 born in Jacksonville, Florida, November 2, 1921,
 spent several years and graduated from Lake River,
 North Dakota; Marine, (Marine) graduated, Illinois
 and Jacksonville, Florida, died May 10, 1955; the
 son Franklin Franklin, was graduated from the high
 school in Lexington, Massachusetts, in 1941, was an
 active member in the Church of Christ in Seattle,
 Washington, is an officer, training school at
 Fort Belvoir, Virginia, and is a sergeant.

(2) Dale William Humphrey, born August 7, 1897,
 attended the Episcopal school through the eleventh

grade and then was a student at Western State Teachers College for one year, after which he took the army course at Michigan State College during the First World War. He then returned to his father's farm home, where he has remained to the time of this writing in 1942.

March 6, 1926, Dale Williams Humphrey was married in this home to Bertha Mae Downey, born in Decatur, Illinois, May 22, 1905, the oldest of the eight children of Shirley T. and Iva Belle Marsh Downey. In 1910 the family moved to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where Bertha Mae had one year in school and the family then moved to Richland where she attended school through the eleventh grade and then took twelfth grade work in the high school at Climax, Michigan, where she was graduated May 12, 1923. The following summer she attended Western State Teachers College in Kalamazoo and secured a third grade teacher's certificate and taught school in District No. Six in Alamo township, Kalamazoo county, after which she clerked for a time for Maurice Douglas in his store in Galesburg, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Humphrey became the parents of:

- (1) Robert Franklin, born November 15, 1927;
- (2) Elizabeth Jean, born September 11, 1929;

(3) Gladys Mary, born March 8, 1931; and (4) Harriette Mae, born [REDACTED].

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Martin Humphrey began housekeeping in 1887 on a farm on section two of Richland township and adjacent on the north to the farm of Roy Nichols. The house consisted of an upright 16 feet by 24 feet, which later was enlarged by an addition.

In 1905 they started to build the home on the bank of Gull Lake and used it until 1922, when it became the permanent home. This is the home in which Mr. and Mrs. Dale Williams Humphrey were married and have lived ever since, and in which his parents lived until they passed away, the date of Franklin Martin Humphrey's death being July 1, 1930.

Herbert S. Humphreys



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Herbert S. Humphrey was born in Westbury, Wiltshire, England, August 12, 1864, the son of George and Sophia Read Humphrey. The family moved to Canada in 1870, and six years later came to Ypsilanti, Michigan. He received his education in Hamilton and Toronto, Ontario, and in Ypsilanti, where at the age of eighteen, he set up his own photography business.

During the 1893 World's Fair he exhibited clinic photographs taken in Ann Arbor and later became identified with the French camera expert, Theo Endean, in Cleveland, Ohio.

In 1897, he married Constance Plumer McCalmont of Franklin, Pennsylvania, and a few years later, Mr. Humphrey, with his father and brothers, Alfred H. Humphrey and Fred J. Humphrey, founded the Humphrey Gas Water Heater Company, which became one of the leading manufacturing concerns of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

In 1900, Mr. Humphrey began the very successful

manufacture of automatic water heaters based on his own inventions, patented, of automatic valves and other devices. He had become owner of the company, his brothers entering other manufacturing fields.

In 1913, the company was consolidated with the Ruud Manufacturing Company and until his retirement in July, 1942, he was vice president of the Ruud Manufacturing Company and general manager of the Humphrey division. He was retained as a director of both institutions after his retirement from active management.

Mr. Humphrey was an officer and director of many Kalamazoo industrial plants during his active years, including the Kalamazoo Loose-Leaf Binder Company, Kalamazoo Railway Supply Company and the Standard Paper Company.

In 1929, while traveling through East Africa, he suffered an attack of malignant malaria, and for two months was hospitalized in Cairo, Egypt. Soon after his return home he resigned all responsibilities excepting the vice presidency of the Ruud Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Humphrey was the youngest of early directors of the First National Bank and Trust Company when the board consisted of only seven members, and he

was the last surviving member of that directorate.

Mr. Humphrey was exceptionally devoted to his family and his friends, and among those whom he held dear were the men who actually made the heaters in the factory, where in early years he worked with them.

Golf being his favorite hobby, Mr. Humphrey was for nine years one of the organizers of the Kalamazoo Country Club, where he had helped to lay out the original nine holes, and the Gull Lake Country Club, where he was chairman of the grounds committee for fifteen years. He personally financed and directed the development of the second nine holes and the sprinkling system at the Gull Lake Country Club.

Death came to Mr. Humphrey at noon on Saturday, November 14, 1942, after a lingering illness. With him at the end were his wife, who was his constant companion throughout his long illness, and his two daughters, Mrs. Richard Windisch, of Scarsdale, New York, and Mrs. David B. Gauss, of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Besides these he was survived by five grandchildren: Humphrey, John McCalmont and Charles Conrad Windisch, of Scarsdale, New York; and David B. and Janet Humphrey Gauss of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

The funeral services were conducted by Dr. A. Gordon Fowkes, burial in Mt. Home cemetery.

Mr. * Mrs. James Edward Hutchinson



J A M E S E D W A R D H U T C H I N S O N

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James Edward Hutchinson was born in Painesville, Ohio, August 16, 1859, son of Antionette Andrews and James Hutchinson, of English and Scotch descent.

When James Edward was about seven years of age the family came to Oshtemo, Michigan, where he attended school. Later he taught the Boekhout and other rural schools. Then he began farming near Oshtemo.

Later Mr. Hutchinson purchased a farm in Portage township and afterward twelve acres near the city limits of Kalamazoo on South Westnedge avenue, where he built a home and resided until his death. He plotted the twelve acres into city lots and sold them.

March 26, 1885, James Edward Hutchinson was married to Sarah Ann Graves, daughter of Elizabeth Albertson and Edwin Graves. She was born in Rush, Monroe county, New York state, and came to Oshtemo, Michigan, when she was three years of age. Her birth-day was October 8, 1864, and her death occurred September 1, 1932.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson were the parents of:

Charles, who died in infancy;

Ernest James, who married Flossie Schrader, is the father of Donald and Mary and has an adopted son James, resides in Willard, Ohio;

Nellie Jane, a teacher in the Kalamazoo schools, resides at 3427 South Westnedge avenue, Kalamazoo;

Antoinette, who married William Witt, is the mother of Norman and resides in Big Rapids, Michigan.

James Edward Hutchinson was a very strong Republican, was an active temperance worker, belonged to the State Grange and to the Portage Masonic lodge No. 340. He enjoyed playing golf and was fond of driving. He served several years as vice president of the Kalamazoo County Pioneer Society and was elected president at the picnic held at Long Lake August 17, 1939, and held that office at the time of his death.

His parents were religious and belonged to the Oshtemo Methodist Episcopal Church. About 1934, Mr. Hutchinson transferred his membership to the First Presbyterian Church in Kalamazoo where he had been attending for some time.

He was a great reader and a good Bible student. He was regular in his attendance at church and occasionally supplied as a Sunday school teacher. He

made many friends among both old and young. He was a member of the Three-Quarter Century Club. He spent most of his life farming, but engaged some in real estate business.

Death came to Mr. Hutchinson December 15, 1939. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend Paul Silas Heath, D. D., and burial was in Genessee Prairie cemetery, near Oshtemo.

Written in 1940

W. F. Huxford



W A L T E R F R A N K L I N H U X F O R D

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WALTER FRANKLIN HUXFORD was born in Adair, Iowa, September 5, 1887, son of William Huxford, who was born April 25, 1860 in South English, Iowa, and was of English extraction. The mother of W. F. Huxford was of German descent.

Walter F. Huxford was reared in a rural community. He attended and graduated from the South English High School in 1908. From Central College in Pella, Iowa, he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1913, and he attended the Divinity School of the University of Chicago in 1915-16.

While attending Central College, Mr. Huxford served as student pastor churches in Udell, Iowa, Plano, Iowa, and Centerville, Iowa. He served at the last named place until he went to the Divinity School of the University of Chicago in 1915.

While attending the Divinity School in Chicago Mr. Huxford served as pastor of the Baptist Church in Big Rock, Illinois, where he continued to serve until June 1917. For the next fourteen months he was pastor of the Baptist Church in Sycamore, Illinois. From September 1918 to June 1st, 1920, he

was Boys Work Secretary with the Y. M. C. A. in Washington, Iowa. From 1920 to July 1923, he was Building and Community Boys Work Secretary with the Y. M. C. A. in Waterloo, Iowa. In October of 1923, he became pastor of the Union Baptist Church of Estherville, Iowa, where he remained until June of 1926, when he became pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ottumwa, Iowa, until June 1928. In January 1929, he became pastor of the Portage Street Baptist Church in Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he served until he was appointed by the Executive Committee of the Michigan Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Publishing Society as Director of Christian Education and Evangelism, beginning May 1, 1936. This appointment required his residence to be in Lansing, Michigan.

In 1933, Mr. Huxford was president of the Baptist Pastor's Conference of Michigan. He was president of the Ministerial Alliance of Kalamazoo in 1933-34 and was chairman of the pastor's section of the Interdenominational Council of Religious Education from 1933 to 1936. He helped to organize the Better Citizenship Council of Kalamazoo in 1934 and was chairman of the Week-Day Religious Education organization in 1932.

Walter Franklin Huxford was ordained in the

Baptist Church in South English, Iowa, August 1, 1912.

He was married to Alice Louise Yard October 29, 1913, and is the father of two children: Kelton William, born April 22, 1917, a student in Kalamazoo College; Halleen Elizabeth, who was born January 26, 1921 and died December 7, 1929.

At a luncheon given in honor of Mr. Huxford by the Kalamazoo Ministerial Alliance the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"The Ministerial Alliance of Kalamazoo deeply regrets the loss of Reverend W. F. Huxford, who has been pastor of the Portage Street Baptist Church for seven years, but rejoices in the promotion which has come to him in his appointment by the Executive Committee of the Michigan Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Publishing Society as Director of Christian Education and Evangelism and believes him to be eminently fitted for this new challenge. He has served with distinction in many capacities in Kalamazoo, including the presidency of this Ministerial Alliance and he is hereby cordially commended to the Lansing Ministerial Association."

(The foregoing was written in 1936)



Alson L. Hyames

A L S O N L O N S O N H Y A M E S

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Alson Lonson Hyames was born in Gobles, Michigan, November 27, 1879, son of Mary E. Sprague and Elmer Hyames of English and Scotch descent. He was reared on a farm near Gobles and attended school in that village graduating in 1900. He graduated from the Michigan State Teachers College at Ypsilanti, Michigan, and received a life certificate in 1905. He entered the University of Michigan in 1912 and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts and in 1913, the degree of Master of Arts.

His first teaching experience was in the old Brown school district north of Pine Grove. In 1901 and 1902 he taught the grammar room, seventh and eighth grades, in Gobles. In 1905 and 1906, he taught the ninth grade at Albion and coached athletics. From 1907 to 1911, he was Superintendent of schools at Bloomingdale, Michigan. In 1913-14, he taught geography in the Calumet high school and became Principal of the Roosevelt school, Kalamazoo, in 1914. He remained Principal of the Roosevelt school until 1920 when he was made Principal of the Lincoln school, where he has remained since that time.

Mr. Hyames has written articles for the educational magazines and is highly regarded in educational circles. He has been President of the Teachers Club of Kalamazoo and also President of the Principals Club. He is an independent Republican in politics.

Mr. Hyames and his family are members of the Church of Christ and he has held responsible official positions in that communion, Superintendent of the Sunday school, chairman of the official board and a member of the pulpit committee. He is very much interested in athletics, especially base ball.

Mr. Hyames has three brothers and a sister: Frank H., Principal of the high school in Quincy, California; Judson A., Director of Athletics in Western State Teachers College, Kalamazoo; Nellie, married David McKinley and resides in Kalamazoo; Robert D., married Zelma Richardson and resides in Kalamazoo.

June 30, 1908, Mr. Hyames married Ada M. Lyle of Gobles, Michigan. They are the parents of: Lyleine S., born August 27, 1912, married Fritz Drake; Avesta Mae, born September 13, 1914, married Ronald White.

Written November 21, 1936.



M R S A L S O N L H Y A M E S

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Ada Martha Lyle was born December 6, 1883, near Gobles, Michigan. She was the youngest daughter of six children of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Lyle, who soon after her birth moved to Gobles, where she spent her early childhood.

She had two years of high school work in Hillsdale, Michigan, but finished in Gobles. She graduated and received her A. B. degree from Olivet College, Michigan, in 1904. She taught languages in high school six years. In 1908 she was married to Alson L. Hyames and they have two daughters.

In 1914, Mr. and Mrs. Hyames came to live in Kalamazoo, where Mr. Hyames has been engaged in school work since that time.

Mrs. Hyames has always been interested in religious, educational and civic affairs and has taken an active part in them.

Before her marriage she was a member of the Baptist Church, but later joined the Disciples of Christ with Mr. Hyames and has served that church in various ways: Supt., of Primary, Junior and Young

Peoples departments of the Sunday school; teacher of Young People's class for sixteen years; on the official board and music committee and Dean of Girls at Summer Conference.

In the Y. W. C. A., she was particularly interested in the Girl Reserve work and is a wearer of the ring. She was a member of the Board of Directors nine years, three of which she served as President.

She has been a member of the Executive Committee of the Better Citizenship Committee four years and is serving on the Parent Teacher Association Council - as chairman of Motion Pictures.

She is also a member of the Board of the Kalamazoo Council of Federated Church Women and has served as Vice President, Chairman of the Christian Citizenship Committee and as President.

For four years Mrs. Hyames was a Vice President of the Michigan Council of Federated Church Women and in October 1936 she was elected President, which office she now holds.

Written January 29, 1937.

Mr. & Mrs. George W. Ibbotson



Mr & Mrs George W Gibson



George William Hobatson, Jr.

Mrs. Annie Holmson Royle



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G E O R G E W I L L I A M I B B O T S O N

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George William Ibbotson was born in Sheffield, England, July 15, 1867, son of George and Elizabeth Marsden Ibbotson, and he had one brother and six sisters in England. He attended school in Sheffield and went to work early in life in the coal mines of the Nunnery Colliery Company of Sheffield. After he had worked about twelve months in the coal mines, he found employment in the steel mills of Camel, Laird & Company of Sheffield and continued there until 1905, when he left for the United States. His first work in the steel mills was to tend the spring roller and later he was set to work on the smelter. His father worked many years in the same mill.

March 30, 1891, George William Ibbotson was married to Mary Hazelhurst, daughter of Thomas and Susannah Brogden Hazelhurst. She had six brothers and two sisters in England.

Mr. Ibbotson's first job in Kalamazoo was with the Michigan Buggy Company operated by Lane and Lay. He worked there about nine months and then was

employed at the street car barns. After that he worked in the paper mills of Kalamazoo and for twelve years he was employed by the Railway Supply. From 1925 to 1928, he was Verger at St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ibbotson first made their home in Kalamazoo on Raskam Court. At this writing, in 1941, they have resided for more than thirty-five years at 2342 Willow Boulevard.

In 1913, they both returned to England for a visit. After the first World War Mrs. Ibbotson crossed to France with the third group of Gold Star Mothers and visited the Meuse-Argonne cemetery.

Mr. Ibbotson says he is a Republican, likes gardening and enjoys hunting and fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ibbotson were both confirmed in the Church of England when they were children and their son and daughter were baptized and confirmed in the big church in Sheffield before leaving England. They are: Annie, born May 1, 1893, married Joshua Royle, resides next door and is employed in Mill No. 4 of the Kalamazoo Paper Company; George William, Jr., born March 25, 1895, was graduated from the eighth grade in the Washington School in Kalamazoo, Michigan, and after that worked

for about three years at printing for Ihling Bros., and Everard and on June 26, 1917, he enlisted in Company C 32nd Infantry Division, mobilization at Grayling, Michigan. He went overseas in 1917, was in four major battles and was killed October 18, 1918, in the battle of the Meuse-Argonne and was buried in the Meuse-Argonne cemetery, having attained to the office of Corporal.

Since Mr. and Mrs. Ibbotson set sail from England July 13, 1905 and arrived in Kalamazoo with their family July 24, 1905, they have earned the high regard in which they are held by their neighbors and have sacrificed supremely to stay the march of a conqueror bent on the subjugation of Democracy. Their sacrifice and service deserves to be recorded and honored. The Ibbotsons became citizens of the United States in 1914.

George William Ibbotson died suddenly from a heart attack April 3, 1943. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend Father A. G. Fowkes and burial was made in Riverside cemetery.



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George Irvine

G E O R G E L I N C O L N I R V I N E

George Lincoln Irvine, youngest son of a pioneer family of Illinois, was born near Byron, December 17, 1863. The family moved to Rockford, when George was five years old, and his boyhood was spent there.

At the age of nineteen, Mr. Irvine went to Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where he engaged in the lumber business for four years. Returning to Rockford, Illinois, he became the president and general manager of the Rockford Overalls Manufacturing Company.

In 1891, Mr. Irvine was united in marriage to Miss Harriet M. Swain. One son was born to this union.

Due to ill-health, Mr. Irvine was obliged, in 1909, to give up active participation in business for several years.

In August 1914, he brought his family to Kalamazoo, and bought the Bartlett Label Company, from which he built up the present Saniwax Paper Company. He became its president and general manager, and continued in that capacity until his death on January 11, 1934.

Mr. Irvine was a member of the Crusader Commandery Knights Templar, of Rockford, Illinois. He was also a member of the First President Church, the Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, the Outlook Club, the Club of Little Gardens, and other social organizations of Kalamazoo.

Mr. Irvine's business success was due, not only to his executive ability, but also to his honesty, industry, patience, integrity, and unfailing courtesy.

The son, Stuart Irvine, has succeeded his father as president and general manager of the Saniwax Paper Company. He and his mother survive, at the time of this writing, 1935.

The following tribute was paid to Mr. Irvine by his pastor, the Reverend John Wirt Dunning, D.D.:

"The life of George Irvine was one of surpassing outward grace and usefullness. The many years that he lived in this community have brought forth a multitude of living expressions of a great soul.

Many waters fed the springs from which this outward grace flowed. There was above all goodness. He was "a good man," not in the sense in which this term is so lightly used. Honor and honesty and a sense of duty, were his master passion. They builded in him a high integrity.

His sense of right knew also the softening touch of LOVE. His heartiness was as instinctive as his honesty. He was what George B. Shaw has defined as a gentleman: "He put more into life than he took out!"

He had a rich culture. In the truest sense he was an educated man, with keen appreciation for the true, the good and the beautiful.

Above all, he had a deep religious faith.

His idealism and his faith kept pace with his practicality. He was both spiritual and pragmatic. He was warm in friendship, exalted in ideal, strong in faith, abundant in service. His steps were "ordered of the Lord".

Donald Arthur Jackson



D O N A L D A R T H U R J A C K S O N

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Donald Arthur Jackson was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, August 6, 1911, son of Elizabeth Van Beck and Arthur Austin Jackson, of Holland and English descent, a descendant of Ethan Allen and Israel Putnam and of the Cornell family for whom Cornell College was named. The grandmother, Esther Jackson, was a charter member of the national W. C. T. U. George Jackson was a recruiting officer in the Civil War.

Donald Jackson had one brother, Paul Jackson, who married Mary Porter and resides in Kalamazoo and is the father of Patricia Arlene, born [REDACTED], and one sister, Dorothy, who married John Beardsley and resides in Kalamazoo.

Donald was graduated from Central high school, Kalamazoo, in 1929, and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Western State Teachers College in 1933.

He then managed the Oakwood Tavern at Klinger Lake until 1937, when he was employed by the City of Kalamazoo in the forestry department, planting and

trimming trees and doing other acts of tree surgery.

Mr. Jackson joined the First Methodist Church when he was about twelve years of age. He belonged to the Masonic lodge in White Pigeon and when he was in college he was a member of the Theta Chi Delta fraternity.

He was very much interested in athletics and was an instructor in boxing at Central high school and also in Western State Teachers College. Donald was active in local golf tournaments and was especially fond of hunting and fishing. He was very active and much interested in promoting Boy Scout work.

Donald Arthur Jackson was a very dependable young man with a very warm personality and made many friends.

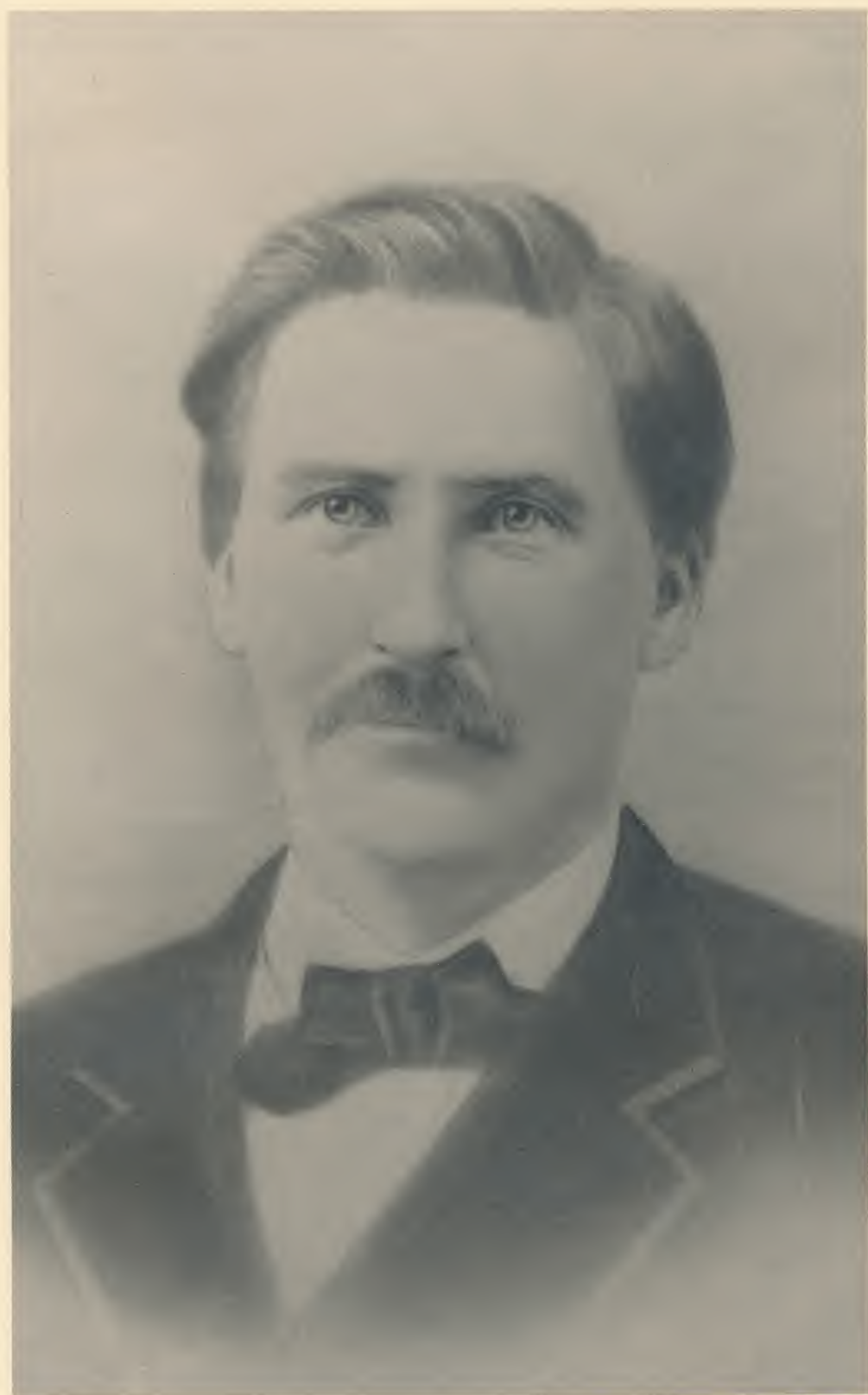
June 30, 1938, he was married to Pauline Fetch, daughter of Lois Hine and Albert Fetch of Sturgis, Michigan. She was graduated from the Sturgis high school in 1932 and then attended a business college in Battle Creek, Michigan. For a time she worked as an assistant to Dr. N. C. Wilkerson of Sturgis.

Death came to Donald Arthur Jackson September 22, 1939, at 12:10 A. M., in an automobile accident. The Reverend William C. Perdew, assisted by the

Reverend R. D. Wearne, conducted the funeral, which was held under the auspices of the Masonic lodge of White Pigeon. Interment was in Riverside cemetery, Kalamazoo.

Written in 1940

Daniel Luther Johnson



D A N I E L L U T H E R J O H N S O N

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Daniel Luther Johnson was born in Batavia, New York state, October 20, 1830, son of Calvin Johnson, who was born August 10, 1793, and died January 3, 1852, and Nancy Johnson, who was born July 27, 1799, and died December 17, 1874.

Daniel L. Johnson came to Michigan with his parents about 1860 and lived for a time near Scotts or Climax. His brothers and sisters were Seymour, Charles, Mehitabel, Peter and William, all of whom came to Michigan.

He was married December 10, 1848, to Mary M. Cooley, who was born April 26, 1826, and died May 19, 1901. They became the parents of:

Arthur Elias, born October 30, 1849, and died May 23, 1895;

Effie Adelia, born March 3, 1856, married
(1) Walter A. Welch October 30, 1884, at Marshall, Michigan - he was born October 30, 1859, and died November 16, 1905 - the marriage ceremony was read by Reverend Elias Cooley, the brother of Mrs. D. L. Johnson; they were the parents of Beulah, who resides at 180 Grove street, Battle Creek, Michigan;

(2) Effie Adelia was married to Elbert Baker August 29, 1905, by the Reverend W. S. Potter, D. D.; she died January 19, 1915;

Ella Adelaide, second daughter of D. L. Johnson, was born August 27, 1858, married July 4, 1876, Robert A. Carson, Reverend Elias Cooley, performing the ceremony - she became the mother of Howard Carson, who was born February 28, 1879, and Maurice Leroy, who was born May 21, 1880, married Mabel Moore and died August 29, 1914;

Jessie Maude, born April 20, 1865, married by the Reverend Mr. Weaver at Yorkville to August M. Brauer June 13, 1897, became the mother of Jennie Eusta, born January 30, 1899, married (1) William Gordon; (2) Harry Burrows; Clifford Brauer, born June 16, 1899, and Morlan Daniel Brauer.

Arthur Elias Johnson married on March 16, 1873, Frances Cummings, who was born August 21, 1851, and died July 7, 1925. She was the daughter of Benjamin Franklin Cummings, who was born September 1, 1812, and died March 26, 1896, and his wife, Ann Barrett Cummings, who was born November 26, 1815, and died October 23, 1865, having been married in 1837. The father of Benjamin Franklin Cummings was Benjamin Cummings, who was born July 11, 1772, married Elizabeth Barrett in 1810, and died August 23, 1848. Elizabeth Barrett Cummings was born July 20, 1789,

and died March 22, 1879.

Benjamin Cummings invented the circular saw. He hammered out in his own blacksmith shop the first circular saw known to mankind. He was a noted pioneer in Michigan, a first cousin to one of the presidents of the United States, a slave owner in New York state, a leading Mason in the days of Morgan, a vessel owner on the North river before the days of steamboats; a captain in the war of 1812, where, after having three horses shot under him, with one stroke of his broadsword he brought his superior officer to the ground for an insult, for which he was court-martialed as a traitor and a coward, but instead of being shot he was appointed colonel in place of the officer who had insulted him. To the wonder and astonishment of the world he moved a large block of brick buildings bodily and later built one and one-half miles of the Erie canal through a bed of rock and also built as per contract the first low bridges over the same. He also aided in the construction of the first ten miles of railroad built in the United States, and founded both the villages of Esperance and Burtons-ville, on the old Schoharie, near Amsterdam. He was twice married and was the father of twenty-two

children. He came to Richland in 1831 and located on the northeast corner of section twenty-eight. In the spring of 1832 he built the bridge across Battle Creek, near where Michigan Avenue crosses the Kalamazoo river in the city of Battle Creek, the citizens of Gull Prairie furnishing the money. He built the first barn in the township for John F. Gilkey and soon after built another for Mr. Hoog. He built a saw mill on Springbrook, on section 19, and started the village of Bridgewater which was abandoned when the timber was gone that furnished the saw mill. He was buried in Richland.

Arthur Elias Johnson became the father of:

Musa, who was born September 2, 1874, and died
March 2, 1878;

Floy, who was born June 3, 1876, and died
February 23, 1878;

Ray Seymour, who was born February 18, 1879.

Daniel L. Johnson was employed by Abram Hoag in Gull Mills and then bought an interest in the mills. Until he reached the age of twenty-one he had to pay his father for his time. The flouring mill was located south of the bridge at Yorkville. At one time he lived in the house later named Lovers Lane Lodge, near which the mill was located. When the mill burned, Mr. Johnson built the mill further

down stream to get more power and constructed the dam where it is at the time of this writing in 1940.

Daniel L. Johnson was at one time very well to do. He owned the island in Gull Lake which he sold for one thousand dollars. He was a good provider and a good citizen. He held some political offices and was a Democrat. At one time he was post master at Yorkville and the post office was in his mill. He belonged to the F. & A. M., and was ready to become a Knight Templar.

Death came to him February 19, 1897.

The first thing I saw when I stepped out
 this morning is that the sun was shining
 brightly. It was a beautiful day, and
 I felt like I was in a new world.
 The air was fresh, and the people were
 friendly. I had heard that this was
 a good place to visit, and now I
 knew it was true. I was in luck.
 The weather was perfect, and the
 people were so nice. I had heard
 that this was a good place to visit,
 and now I knew it was true. I was
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Henry William Johnson



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Henry William Johnson, Private First Class, was instantly killed in action when hit by an enemy shell fragment at the town of Kehmen in the Duchy of Luxembourg December 25, 1944. He was buried with military honors in the United States Military Cemetery at Hamm, in the Duchy of Luxembourg, in grave number 261, Row 11, Plot N.

Henry was drafted May 3, 1944, and went to Fort Sheridan for basic training and then to Fort McClellan, Alabama, to be trained as a scout in the infantry. He had a ten day furlough in September 1944 and reported at Fort Mead on the 27th. He was shipped overseas in October 1944 and landed in England and went from there into France where he served as a rifleman in a rifle company in the infantry. He was killed when his company attacked the enemy to eliminate a threat due to their penetration north into Belgium.

Marriage

On February 14, 1940, Henry Johnson was married to Miss Emma Drenth, who was born in Shell

Rock, Iowa, October 10, 1918, the daughter of Ben and Tina Bos Drenth. When Emma was four years of age the family moved to Kalamazoo, Michigan. The marriage was solemnized by the Reverend Jerry Veldman, then pastor of the Bethany Reformed Church. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson became the parents of David William October 6, 1941.

Henry's Birth and Education

Henry William Johnson was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, June 28, 1918, the son of Claus and Anna Hiemstra Johnson, both born in the Netherlands and came to Kalamazoo, Michigan, with their parents.

Henry had a sister, Jeanette, who married William Earl Pfeiffer and resides in Kalamazoo. He also had a brother, Herman Claus Johnson, who married Anna Tunier and served in the Ordnance Department in World War II and resides in Kalamazoo.

Henry attended the South Burdick School through the first eight grades and was graduated from Central High School in 1935.

After graduation he worked at various jobs until he was eighteen and then was employed by the Superior Printing Company where he learned to operate a linotype machine. For a short time he worked for the Sutherland Paper Company and then went to the Upjohn Company until he was drafted.

Personal Characteristics

Henry William Johnson was five feet ten and one-half inches tall, slender in build and had brown hair and blue eyes.

He liked water sports and was an expert swimmer and skater. He liked to read and spent many happy hours with his books. He was industrious and was especially interested in his work with the Upjohn Company.

He provided as well as any young man could for his lovely wife and bright little son. He enjoyed visiting with his friends of whom he had hosts and he was popular with the friends of his father and mother.

Henry was a baptized member of The Bethany Reformed Church and was reared in a Christian home by his affectionate parents to whom he was devoted.

He was fastidious in his personal appearance and dressed with care. He was even more careful of his inner adornment of an untarnished spirit of honesty and sincerity.

He was tender hearted and when he went into the army he remarked to his wife that he would probably be killed for it would be hard for him to kill anyone. Yet he was trained to be a scout, one of the most dangerous services in war.

The following are excerpts from letters written
by officers who knew Henry:

"He died so that others might live; men like Henry are not easily replaced, his loss is keenly felt by all who knew him. It should be of solace to you to know that he died a true soldier both to his country and to his fellow soldiers."

LESLIE E. DICKSON
CWO, USA.
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"We can number among the blessed dead those who have laid down their lives in obedience to the call of duty. We, his comrades, especially realize that we owe our lives to those who fought with us and mainly those who have given their lives."

Father EDWARD P. CALLENS
Chaplain, U. S. Army

"I am sure you will be pleased to know of the high esteem that his fellow soldiers had for him. Although I realize that your loss can never be replaced, I trust you will find some comfort when I assure you that those of us who continue to fight will see that Henry did not die in vain."

LESLIE E. DICKSON

Henry William Johnson courageously performed his duty in the Second World War and never complained to his wife of the hardships, the cold, the hunger and the fatigue. To him and to the others who laid down their lives so gallantly we offer humble thanks and pray that we may as gallantly serve our country and the world.

The following stanzas were written by Mrs. Henry Johnson on the first anniversary of his death:

"Midst the battle's roar
In a land far away
God whispered to you,
'Come home today.'

'Lay down your arms
And take my hand
Come with me
To a peaceful land.'

The noise grew faint,
The light fell dim.
And you found sweet rest
As you followed Him.

You left behind
A broken heart.
Too soon, it seems,
We had to part.

But God knows best
It was His will
And in our hearts
We love you still.

We love you still
And always will.

- Wife and Son."



Herman W. Johnson

HERMAN W JOHNSON

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Herman William Johnson was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 19, 1890, son of Lucy Ball and William H. Johnson of Holland descent. Herman grew to manhood in the city of Kalamazoo and was educated in the public schools and Western State Teachers College.

His first experience in business was in association with his father in a shoe store. Later he was travelling salesman for a shoe company in Toledo, Ohio. After about one year as salesman he enlisted in the World War March 14, 1918 and joined the 176th Aero Squadron after he had taken training at Kelly Field. He received honorable discharge April 3, 1919.

After he was discharged Herman Johnson engaged in the automobile business and conducted the Hudson-Essex agency and garage at 708 North Westnedge avenue.

In November 1931 Mr. Johnson was elected to the city commission on the tax reduction ticket and was active in reducing the cost of city government. He took an active part in the Republican party plans and program for the city, county and district. The city commission of 1932 and 1933 elected him as a city

member of the board of supervisors.

Mr. Johnson was active in fraternal circles and held memberships in the Elks lodge, Masonic lodge, United Commercial Travelers, and numerous business and social clubs and societies. He was also a member of the Joseph B. Westnedge post, American Legion and the Forty-and-Eight society, of which he was a charter member, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Kalamazoo County Council. In 1926 he was Commander of the American Legion.

Mr. Johnson enjoyed golf and was fond of hunting. It was his love of fun that induced him to organize with others the Forty-and-Eight Society, the fun and service unit of the American Legion.

July 30, 1919 Herman Johnson married Conant H. Brown, daughter of Cora Coleman and William W. Brown. The other members of her family were: Hazel, who married Smith Richards of Alamo; Leighton C., who married Kathryn Sherman; and D. O. Brown, who married Marguerite Hansen. Mrs. Johnson was born in Kalamazoo and attended and graduated from the public schools and Western State Teachers College and taught in the Vine Street school for four years. Mrs. Johnson has been an active worker in the First Presbyterian Church and was at one time chairman of circle No. 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were the parents of two children: Jo-Anne, born January 6, 1924 and William Coleman, born December 16, 1925.

Mr. Johnson had two sisters and a brother: Jannette, who married R. A. Morter, Supt. of the State Hospital; Amelia, who married L. B. Houts of Kalamazoo; Wilbur, who resides in Kalamazoo.

Since 1926 Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have resided at 735 Hawley street. Previously they had lived at 613 Stuart avenue.

Death came very suddenly to Mr. Johnson February 26, 1934, as a result of an heart attack. He was given a military funeral in charge of the American Legion. The officiating clergyman was the pastor of the church to which the family belonged, the Reverend John W. Dunning of the First Presbyterian Church. Burial was in Mountain Home Cemetery.

The Kalamazoo County Republican League passed resolutions from which the following is copied:

"As we recall his life and his activities and his memory, the lessons that were taught by his life:

"His nature was sincere;

"He possessed those qualities of frankness, courage, loyalty to his friends and to his principles which will be a treasured memory of the members of this league and his countless friends. Those qualities pervaded his whole life and made him so much beloved by those nearest and closest to him;

"It becomes us to express our appreciation

of his life and to remember with our heartfelt sympathies his surviving family."

The Joseph B. Westnedge Post of the American Legion passed the following resolution and presented it to the family artistically framed:

"In the passing of Herman W. Johnson, Past Commander of Joseph B. Westnedge Post No. 36, the American Legion, the Legion lost a priceless comrade.

"Our friend and comrade in every storm of life was oak and rock. He was the friend of all heroic souls. He sided with the weak and willingly gave alms. With loyal heart he faithfully discharged all public trusts. He was a worshipper of liberty, a friend of the oppressed. He believed that Happiness was the only good, Reason the only torch, Justice the only worship, Humility the only religion, and love the only priest. He added to the sum of human joy; and were everyone to whom he did a loving service to bring a blossom to his grave, he would sleep beneath a wilderness of flowers.

"Be it therefore resolved, that this memoriam be spread upon the minutes of Joseph B. Westnedge Post No. 36, the American Legion and that a copy thereof be enrolled and presented to the widow of our departed comrade."

Written by Claire S. Beebe
Art work by Frank Pero.

Robert C. Juday



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Robert C. Juday was born in Comstock, Michigan, June 20, 1925, son of Clifford Claude and Florence Sherman Juday.

Clifford Claude Juday was born in Indiana April 5, 1903, son of Sanford V. and Christina Abshire Juday of English descent. He attended and was graduated from the high school in Howe, Indiana, and afterward was a student in Western State Teachers College in Kalamazoo, Michigan. He then went into a restaurant business in Port Huron, Michigan. Upon returning to Kalamazoo, he secured a position in the shipping department of the Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Company. About 1935 he engaged in the real estate business in Comstock, Michigan, and has continued in that occupation until the time of this writing in 1941. He has a brother, Roy Kenneth Juday, married and residing in Howe, Indiana; and a brother, Everett, who is married, has two sons and seven daughters and resides in Silver Lake, Indiana.

August 15, 1923, Clifford Claude Juday was

married to Florence Sherman, who was born on the Cooley homestead in Scotts, Michigan, January 25, 1901, daughter of Charles Sherman of English and Scotch-Irish descent, and Gertrude Cooley Sherman of English ancestry. Gertrude Cooley was the daughter of Lucius R. Cooley from Ohio and Ruth Jane Pease Cooley, who came to Michigan from New York state. While Florence was yet a babe the family moved to Fulton, Michigan, and when she was five years old they became residents of Kalamazoo, Michigan, where she attended school and was graduated from Central High School in 1919. She then taught school in District No. Six in Portage township, after which she became a student in Western State Teachers College and was given a life certificate to teach in 1922 and taught school in Richmond, Michigan.

Florence has one brother, Cooley Sherman, Director of the Museum at the state Capitol in Lansing, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Claude Juday began house-keeping in Kalamazoo and after a few months made a trip to Orlando, Florida, and upon their return made their home in Comstock, Michigan, where they now reside. They have another son, Raymond Roy, who was born [REDACTED].

Robert C. Juday had been a student in the Comstock Public School. He loved and was beloved by all. His unselfish and sunny disposition won him friends instantly; but his deep and abiding faith

arrived in Detroit, Michigan, and was born in the
 United States in 1891, Michigan, January 22,
 1901, daughter of William Howard of England and
 Josephine Howard, and daughter of Joseph Howard of
 England and daughter of Joseph Howard of England.

At London, England, Joseph Howard and his wife
 Josephine, who came to America from New York State,
 while Josephine was yet a babe the family moved to
 London, England, and when she was five years old
 they moved to the city of Birmingham, England, where
 she attended school and was graduated from Central
 High School in 1915. She then taught school in
 Detroit, Michigan, and in 1916 she became a student
 at the University of Michigan, where she was given a
 B.S. degree in 1918 and taught school in Birmingham,
 England.

Howard has one brother, Joseph Howard, Detroit,
 Michigan, and one sister, Josephine Howard, Detroit,
 Michigan. She was born in 1891 in London, England,
 and was given a B.S. degree in 1918 and taught school
 in Birmingham, England, and upon their return made
 their home in Detroit, Michigan, where they now
 reside. They have another son, Joseph Howard, who
 was born February 10, 1917.

Joseph C. Howard has been a student in the
 University of Michigan since 1915. He loved and was beloved
 by all. His qualities and many dispositions and
 his friends instantly; but his deep and abiding faith

Death came to him because of pneumonia November 20, 1940. The funeral was conducted by the pastor, Reverend A. T. Halsted, and burial was on a mound, which had been selected by Robert himself, in the Comstock cemetery. On the marker are these words, "Love one another as I have loved you."

If radio's slim fingers can pluck a melody
From night, and toss it over a continent
 or sea;
If the petalled white notes of a violin
Are blown across the mountains or the city's din;
If songs, like crimson roses, are culled from
 thin blue air -
Why should mortals wonder if God hears prayer?

I know not by what methods rare,
But this I know - God answers prayer.
I know not when he sends the word
That tells us fervent prayer is heard.
I know it cometh soon or late;
Therefore we need to pray and wait.
I know not if the blessing sought
Will come in just the guise I thought;

I leave my prayers with Him alone
Whose will is wiser than my own.

- Author unknown

On July 20, 1941, a service was held in the Comstock Methodist Church for the dedication of the Robert Juday Memorial Chimes, which had been given by his parents to the church and which bear the inscription, "Presented in Memory of Robert Juday, Who Loved His Church." The following is the order of service, including a tribute by the pastor, the Reverend A. T. Halsted:

Chimes Selections: "Face to Face" and "Doxology"

Organ Prelude: Reproduction of Dr. Albert
Schweitzer on the Strassbourg Cathedral
Organ,

Hymn 15 "Angel Voices Ever Singing"

Call To Worship:

Pastor - Dearly Beloved, we learn from the Holy Scriptures, that devout men set apart temples for the worship of God, and used musical instruments therein for His praise and adoration. We therefore assemble here for the purpose of dedicating these Chimes for the service in the worship of Almighty God. Surely the Lord is in this place.

People: This is none other than the House of the Lord: this is the Gate of Heaven.

Pastor: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His Courts with praise.

People: O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt His name together.

Gloria Patri.

Then shall the Pastor say: Let us pray in unison

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presentation of the Chimes by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Juday.

Acceptance on behalf of the Church by Mr. John Agnew, Lay Leader.

Then shall the Minister say these words of dedication, all the people standing and uniting in the responses:

Minister: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we dedicate these Chimes to the praise of Almighty God.

People: Praise God in His Sanctuary: Praise Him in the firmament of His power: Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet: Praise Him with psaltery and harp.

Minister: We dedicate these Chimes to the inspiration and love of fine music, to the greater appreciation of the great hymns of the Church, and to the development in this community of the language of praise which belongeth both to earth and to Heaven.

People: Praise Him with stringed instruments and with Chimes. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

Minister: We dedicate these Chimes to the call to worship and to Prayer, to thanksgiving on festal occasions, and to such inspiration in the service of praise that all people may praise the Lord.

People: O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord all the earth, in Psalms and Hymns and Spiritual Songs, singing and making melody in your heart unto the Lord.

Minister: We dedicate these Chimes to the healing of life's discords and the revealing of the hidden soul of harmony; to the lifting of the oppressed and the comforting of the sorrowing; to the humbling of the heart and the lifting of the soul to abiding beauty and joy by the Gospel of infinite love and good will.

People: That at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in Heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

Let us pray:

Our God and Father, whom the generations have worshipped with concord of sweet sound, be pleased to accept these Chimes as a song of praise unto Thee.

People: Amen.

Grant that their music may come as a blessed benediction upon all who worship here.

People: Amen.

May these Chimes become undying music in our community as their notes of cheer, comfort, communion, and courage are modulated into human lives for daily task and noble service.

Anthem by the choir.

Offertory.

His Pastor's Tribute: The Reverend A. T. Halsted spoke in part as follows:

"Robert Juday, in whose memory these beautiful chimes are affectionately dedicated, loves Christ and His Church, I believe, more than any other thing in his life. I speak in the present tense, for with the whole heart I believe that he lives. While he was with us here in the Church Militant he did all that he could to serve his Master in this Church. He liked everything about the Church. His chief desire was to see the Church grow. To

that end he was more diligent than some adult members in inviting people to come to Church. While with us he liked especially the hymns of the faith. During his last sickness those hymns were his main source of comfort. The singing of them brought a beautiful smile to his face even after he was no longer able to sing or speak himself. It is very fitting that our memory of his short years among us should be prompted by this instrument that shall at regular intervals and on special occasions peal forth the sweet notes of these hymns as a call to us to come and worship in God's House. The first hymn, 'Face to Face With Christ My Saviour' that you heard the Chimes play, constitutes our Declaration of Faith. We believe that not only does Robert live, but he has been promoted, - from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant. In the Gospel of St. John V:25 I find this, a quotation from Jesus Christ, himself; 'Verily, verily, I say unto you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God; and they that hear shall live.' These were not idle words. Christ also said, 'because I live, ye shall live also.' And He arose from the dead and left an empty tomb to substantiate what He had said. What a glorious privilege is ours to live as Children of Hope. "Thanks be to God, Who giveth (Robert and) us the victory through our Lord, Jesus Christ." How could we better express the praise and gratitude that wells up in our hearts than by having the chimes peal forth as their second selection, the Doxology. I believe further that Robert and our departed loved ones are not far from us. Who knows but that they may even have a part in this service of dedication today?

"This is not merely a notion of my own. It has had its part in the Faith of our Fathers down through the centuries. Listen to the note of praise expressing this that I find in the historic communion service of the Church, 'Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious Name, evermore praising Thee and saying, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high! Amen!'. For this

very reason I wanted you to sing with me, before dedicating these Chimes to the memory of our young friend, Robert, that other beautiful hymn of victory, 'Angel voices, ever singing, Round Thy throne of light.' This Memorial Service will be but a futile gesture unless we also reconsecrate ourselves unto the Lord. Only so can we truly honor the memory of Robert today. It is my earnest prayer that all of you sing especially that fourth verse from the very depth of your hearts. Let us repeat it in closing:

'Here, great God, to-day we offer
Of Thine own to Thee;
And for Thine acceptance proffer,
All unworthily,
Hearts and minds, and hands and voices,
In our choicest MELODY.'

Closing Hymn 552.

Benediction.

Organ and Chimes Postlude.

Note: In the last verse of the closing hymn of dedication, No. 552, let us substitute in the second score the following words: 'We bid the pealing chimes await - To speak alone Thy will' etc.

Henry Reuben Kaiser



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Henry Reuben Kaiser was born in Glenburn, North Dakota, February 2, 1915, son of George and Floy Stilwell Kaiser of German descent. They were also the parents of:

Ruth, who was born in Berrien county, Michigan, June 10, 1909, married Albert Hodgman, and they became the parents of Lila Jean, Joyce, George, Claudia and John and reside in Vicksburg, Michigan;

George Louis, born in Berrien county March 30, 1911, married Mildred Allen and they became the parents of Marilyn and Sandra and reside in Parchment, Michigan;

Lester William, born in Berrien county January 30, 1913, married Dorothy Heineman and they became the parents of David and reside on Alamo avenue in Kalamazoo, Michigan;

Frances, born in North Dakota November 20, 1917, married Albert Hoff and they became the parents of James; and

Catherine, born in North Dakota April 10, 1919, and resides with her parents in Parchment, Michigan.

Henry attended school in North Dakota and after the family moved to Cass Lake, Minnesota, he attended school there and completed his schooling in Parchment, Michigan, where the family finally made their home.

Henry's first employment of consequence was

driving a freight truck for six years, after which he was employed by the Upjohn Company in Kalamazoo, Michigan, and remained with them until he was inducted into the Armed Services of the United States February 14, 1944.

He received his basic training at Camp Roberts, California, where he was assigned to the 89th Chemical Battalion of the Motorized Division. After seven and one-half weeks Henry was transferred to Camp Carson, Colorado, where he arrived April 8, 1944, and died of a heart attack April 9, 1944.

Marriage

March 23, 1936, Henry Reuben Kaiser was married to Miss Wilma Phillips, who was born in Allegan, Michigan, August 16, 1916, daughter of Albert and Minnie Phillips DeBeck of Allegan, Michigan, but Wilma was raised by her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Phillips and assumed their name. Wilma attended the Lincoln School in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kaiser were married in South Bend, Indiana, and began housekeeping on Washington avenue in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Mrs. Kaiser now resides at 1018 Princeton avenue, Kalamazoo. They became the parents of Doris Elaine [REDACTED].

Personal Characteristics

Henry Reuben Kaiser was five feet seven and one-

half inches tall and weighed about one hundred sixty-five pounds. He had dark hair and brown eyes and a clear skin. He was broad shouldered and a clean cut, fine looking young man. He wore a friendly smile and his friends were many. He enjoyed fishing and hunting small game. Deer hunting was especially fascinating to him and he looked forward to the open season in anticipation of an exciting experience.

As a lad, Henry attended Sunday school in North Dakota, Cass Lake, Minnesota, and in Parchment. He was a young man of good habits, courteous, kind, pleasant in manner and disposition.

He never expected to have such a sudden end. Exactly what happened no one knows. He passed his physical examination with flying colors. His body was returned to Kalamazoo, Michigan, April 12, 1944, and funeral services were held April 14 at the Cady Funeral Home conducted by Chaplain Major Powe with Chaplain Henry giving the sermon. Burial was in Mount Ever-Rest Memorial Park.

Sergeant George Esser wrote to Mrs. Kaiser:

"As your husband's Company Commander during the greater part of his army life, I was grieved and shocked at his sudden death from heart attack. He filled his job to the best of his ability and was a good soldier."

(Written in November 1944)



Ploum Bros.

Branson Park

THE KALAMAZOO BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL
WOMEN'S CLUB

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The Kalamazoo Business and Professional Women's Club was organized March 29, 1920, with a charter membership of sixteen. The Club was at once affiliated with the Michigan State Federation and with the National Federation of Business & Professional Women's Clubs, being a charter member of the National Federation, and also of the International Federation later organized.

The purpose of the organization is to "serve the best interests of business and professional women of the community, to increase their efficiency by the interchange of thought, experience and ideas, to arouse and stimulate their interest in business, economic, political and social questions, and to promote the betterment of civic life in general."

Women are eligible for membership who are actively engaged in business or professional life, independently as members of firms or as employees occupying positions of trust and responsibility. Membership in the Club is limited at present to seventy-five members. In addition, several honorary

memberships have been conferred upon women interested in the work of the Club who are not eligible to active membership.

Members of the Kalamazoo Club have been at all times active in the State Federation work and have held important offices, such as State Recording Secretary, State Corresponding Secretary, Directors and Members of the State Executive Board, Chairmen of Committees, and of Districts.

The following have served as presidents of the Club, from its organization to the year 1936:

Luella G. Greenfield	Myrtle Gorsline
Marian Almeda Todd	Helen Forster
Hazel Prentice	Ida Montague
Louise Steinway	Nina Hargie (two years)
Mary Ensfield	Jessie Walton
Mary Hughes	Pansy Ellsworth
Beulah Schermerhorn	Marian Pufahl
Emilia Kennedy	Mabel Pitts
Ann Ellsworth Ketcham	

Among the members who have held public office in the community are:

Flora Garrison,	County Register of Deeds,
Mary Ensfield,	County School Commissioner,
Eva Westnedge,	County Clerk,

Lou Henshaw-Zwisler, Member of City Commission,
Frieda Blankenburg, Member of City Commission.

Our members are found on the teaching staffs of Western State Teachers College, Kalamazoo Public Schools, Parsons Business School, Maher's Business College, and on the staffs of the Kalamazoo State Hospital and the Public Library. Other members are physicians, lawyers, realtors, social workers, insurance underwriters, secretaries, and employed in banks, manufacturing plants, and retail merchandising. About twenty members own or partly own the businesses in which they are engaged.

In May, 1923, the Kalamazoo Business & Professional Women's Club entertained the State Federation at its annual meeting in Kalamazoo, and in July, 1929, participated as a member of the State Federation in entertaining the National Federation at Mackinac Island.

The Kalamazoo Club designed and donated to the State Federation a Michigan State Banner, which was presented to the State in April, 1925.

A student loan fund has been maintained for several years, amounting at the present time to about Two Thousand Dollars, for the benefit of graduate students who require financial assistance in

completing college or vocational education.

The Kalamazoo Club has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce and has taken active interest and rendered valuable assistance in many civic enterprises.

In February, 1925, the Club sponsored an operetta "The Maid of Wistaria", from which its net proceeds of \$1500.00 were given to the Girl Scouts of Kalamazoo for the erection of a lodge at its Camp Merrie Wood, Warner Lake.

In May, 1934, a bas relief of Dr. Caroline Bartlett-Crane, one of our honored members, was given to the City of Kalamazoo and hung with appropriate ceremony in the Kalamazoo Public Library.

In 1936 a fund of \$450.00 was raised for the purpose of securing plans and specifications for the beautification of the electric fountain in Bronson Park, through a nation wide competitive contest. The winning design was submitted by Marcelline Gougler, a teacher in the School of Design at the University of Illinois, the plans having been developed in the Iannelli Studios of Chicago. The design and plans were presented to the Kalamazoo City Commission and accepted as a basis for rebuilding the fountain to harmonize with the architectural beauty of the sur-

rounding square. The completed fountain appears in the accompanying photograph.

Welfare and relief work formed an important part of the activities of the Club during the years 1932-1936, in the raising of funds for purchase of clothing and food. For two years, evening recreational facilities for under-privileged children were provided in the Lincoln School building. Funds have been raised and given for the purchase of equipment for the Girl Scout Headquarters and for the Children's Home.

Meetings of the Kalamazoo Business & Professional Women's Club are held on Monday of each week, the programs for which cover a varied range of educational topics and the problems of interest to women, not only in the business world, but social, political and economic questions.

In 1931 the National Federation adopted the following Ten Year Objective, in which each member organization pledged to "fit itself to assume real leadership in thinking on economic problems and their social implications with a view toward helping in the establishment, through scientific methods, of conditions which assure to women, and to men as well, the fullest possible opportunity and reward for the

development of whatever capacities they may possess". In line with this Objective, special programs set up each year for all clubs have been based on such topics as "Economic Security for All"; "Women, Unite for Effective Democracy"; "The Business Woman as a Citizen".

The aim of the organization permeates its programs, and its watch word is "Better Business Women for a Better Business World".

Fred W. Kanley



F R E D W K A N L E Y

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Fred W. Kanley was born on a farm near Ann Arbor, Michigan, January 12, 1868, the son of John Kanley. His early education consisted of a thorough grounding in the science and mechanics of farming, and in several winters in the available rural school near his home. It was due to his farm knowledge, however, that he obtained his first job in Kalamazoo, but his native ability which his schooling had stimulated enabled him to capitalize on his opportunities in the city.

Came to Kalamazoo in 1885

He decided to leave the farm and came to Kalamazoo in 1885, when he was seventeen years old, with thirty cents. The evening of his arrival he heard of a team of runaway horses with which a dairyman named Rhodes was having trouble. He sought out Rhodes and sold him on the idea that as a farm graduate, and a good hand with horses, he could handle the team and make the milk deliveries without damage to the wagon or its liquid load. He took the job, and the next morning made good on his claims by

delivering with only six misses on the route, and with no runaway.

Soon young Kanley was in charge of checking the other drivers, and after six months at that, started his upward climb. Attorney William A. Looby, of the firm of Hawes and Looby, became interested in the young man and loaned him money to establish a bakery. His shop, the First Ward Bakery, was on the Michigan Central property near the William Dewing Lumber Company's yard.

The great fire that leveled the yard burned out Kanley's place, and he next established himself in North Burdick street where he operated a restaurant and bakery. He was located near the store of George Hanselman and the jewelry shop of Pyl and Wykkel. While there he maintained a butter and egg buying business, with one of his sources at Martin, from the father of the late Earl H. Shepherd.

Built Many Homes

One evening, Mr. Kanley used to relate, Earl Slight came into his place of business, and after a rather exciting session accepted Kanley's offer to sell for cash. Mr. Slight then counted out \$2,000 in cash and the deal was closed.

Mr. Kanley then, in 1905, became associated with Mr. O. F. Miller in the home building business and real estate. This association continued until 1908, when Mr. Kanley launched into the home building business on his own. Between 1908 and 1920 he built and sold seventy-five homes in the city. In 1920, he joined his son, William Kanley, in the operation of the automobile business known as the William Kanley, Inc., in which he continued active until 1930.

Mr. Kanley had been an Elk for forty-five years, was widely known and had many acquaintances throughout the county. His interests were wide due to his real estate business, and he was closely associated with the city's expansion for forty years.

November 28, 1889, he was married to Miss Anna K. Carstens, who was born near Hamburg, Germany, and came to Kalamazoo at the age of nineteen.

Death came to Mr. Kanley Sunday morning May 12, 1940, at two o'clock. He had enjoyed excellent health until about six weeks before his death, when he was forced to take to his bed by a heart attack. He was survived by his widow, his son William, and the funeral service was conducted by the Reverend Gordon Fowkes, rector of St. Luke's Protestant

Episcopal Church, where Mr. Kanley maintained his membership. Burial was in Mountain Home cemetery. The bearers were Dr. O. C. Howson, Harry Ramsdell, Louis Raseman, Howard Pore, Orrin B. Hayes and H. Newcomb.



J A C K R A Y M O N D K E A N

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Jack Raymond Kean was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, January 13, 1921, the son of Paul Perrin and Sarah Rachel Mason Kean of mixed Irish, English and German stock.

Paul Perrin Kean was the son of William and Berta Chambers Kean of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and Sarah Rachel Mason Kean was the daughter of Otto and Mary Mason. Otto Mason, now in 1943, eighty-five years of age, is the only living grandparent of Jack Kean.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul P. Kean began housekeeping in Kalamazoo and became the parents of:

William, born December 8, 1914, married Beatrice Preston and became the father of William Floyd December 2, 1936, and Judith Jean, enlisted in the United States Navy October 22, 1942, received his "boot" training at The Great Lakes Training Station, was then sent to the Navy Armory School in Detroit, Michigan, then to New York and from there to Treasure Island, California;

Pauline, born February 3, 1918, married Frederick Gould and became the mother of Frederick George and Jack Raymond January 8, 1942 and resides in Kalamazoo;

Jack Raymond, the subject of this writing;

Helen Jane, born February 14, 1931;

Otto William, born November 11, 1932; and

Paul Perrin, Jr., born November 3, 1936.

Jack Raymond Kean attended the Lincoln School in Kalamazoo, after which he entered Central High School. While in his senior year he left school to go to work and after some experience elsewhere was employed by the Checker Cab Company.

February 3, 1938, he enlisted in Company C, 126th Infantry of the Michigan National Guard, and was honorably discharged October 2, 1940; re-enlisted in Company C, 126th Infantry October 3, 1940, and was inducted into the Federal Service October 15, 1940. His record shows the following grades: Private first class, July 6, 1939; Corporal, May 7, 1940.

Jack was sent to Camp Beauregard, Louisiana, and then to Camp Livingston. From there he was sent to Fort Devons, Massachusetts, and went with his company to California; in April 1942, they were sent to Australia. In September of that year the troops were moved to New Guinea and on December 5, 1942, he lost his life on the Buna front when his platoon ran into a trap of enemy machine guns on the Sanananda

track. Previously he had been selected for a Commando raid and had returned safely.

Jack enjoyed all kinds of clean sports. He played basket-ball with the team of the North Presbyterian Church and base ball with the Checker Cab team. He liked to fish and hunt and box and swim.

Jack Kean commanded respect from everyone. He was kind and generous, a good mixer, a true comrade. He made a host of friends with his winning smile and winsome personality. His Captain, Donald Bush, spoke highly of him saying he "never had a better trained soldier." He was well liked by officers and men. Had he lived he would doubtless have achieved splendid success, but in the hour of his country's need he made the supreme sacrifice.

"A beautiful adventure, thine today,
Old ways made new, all changed within a trice;
I try to see you, son, walk tall and straight
Beneath the rainbow'd arch of Paradise."



M. M. Kenaley

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Mantell Maurice Kenaley was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, on June 9, 1903. He was the son of Raymond H., and Grace K. Schilling Kenaley, of Irish descent.

The boy attended public school and High School in this city, and upon leaving school worked in the Cleenewerch Cigar Store, and then for the Standard Oil Company. At nineteen he began working at the Fire Department of Kalamazoo and continued until his death which occurred on January 16, 1936.

Mr. Kenaley was united in marriage on November 1st, 1924, to Miss Cynthia Elouise Roberts. One son, James Lewis, was born to them on July 20, 1930.

Mr. Kenaley enjoyed hunting and fishing, being an enthusiastic sportsman. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, and of the Metropolitan Club of the Fire Department. He was a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church which he had joined about the year 1928.

Mr. Kenaley won distinction in the Fire Department and was a driver of one of the trucks. He was on duty at the time of the burning of the

several churches in Kalamazoo, and also at the Regent Theatre Fire and was injured in that fire.

The friends of this young man were shocked to hear of his death which occurred on January 16, 1936, due to a heart attack. He is survived at the time of this writing, (1936), by his wife and son.

Services were conducted by Father Fowkes of the St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Burial was at Riverside.

(The foregoing was written in 1936)



H. Robinson

E. M. Kennedy

E D W A R D M. K E N N E D Y

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Edward M. Kennedy, 447 Academy Street, president of the Kalamazoo Industrial Bank and former mayor, died suddenly at his home early Sunday morning, June 16, 1935. A heart attack was the cause of death.

Mrs. Kennedy was aroused by her husband's illness, but he died without awakening and before Drs. Sherman Gregg and E. P. Wilbur could reach the residence. He had been in good health and had retired about 10:30 Saturday evening. He was feeling well and was in good spirits when he retired.

Well known as a city official and city commissioner, and prominent in banking circles of Kalamazoo, Mr. Kennedy's death came as a shock to his many close personal acquaintances and to the public. He was for thirteen years city assessor of Kalamazoo, and from 1924 to 1935 was actively engaged in banking. He was secretary and treasurer of the Kalamazoo Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Kennedy was born in Sturgis, Michigan, in 1870, and received his elementary education in the Sturgis public schools. He then attended the University of Michigan, where he took a science course

receiving his degree from that institution.

He entered business in Kalamazoo soon after his graduation from the University, becoming proprietor of the Kennedy drug store which was located in West Michigan Avenue, just west of the old Burdick Hotel. He remained in the drug business until 1910, when he was appointed by Charles H. Farrell, then mayor, to the office of city assessor. This office he held until December 15, 1924, when he resigned to enter into the banking business.

Although he had not anticipated an active part in the municipal affairs of Kalamazoo after his retirement from the assessor's office, he was "drafted" quite unexpectedly as a member of the city commission on January 24, 1927. The city commission at that time appointed him as commissioner and vice-mayor, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Clarence A. Bradford. On November 8, 1927, he was elected a city commissioner and vice-mayor. His election as mayor came June 26, 1928, upon the death of Dr. Ernest Balch, who was then mayor. He served in this capacity until November 11, 1928, when he again retired from active public life. Although entreated by his many friends to continue in active municipal endeavor, Mr. Kennedy insisted that he retire to confine his

entire time to private banking business.

Mr. Kennedy, during his public and private business activity in Kalamazoo, was known for his honesty and integrity and his sincerity. As mayor of Kalamazoo he never refused audience to any citizen, and devoted most of his time in the interests of the public he represented. Many of his principles of sound municipal government are in effect at the present time, and to his memory rests the credit of originating and enacting numerous local ordinances.

As city assessor Mr. Kennedy became a student of real and personal values which proved of great value to the City of Kalamazoo. His assessments over the 13-year period showed a consistent increase in value and reflected the progress which Kalamazoo steadily made during the pre-war and post-war periods.

Mr. Kennedy was known for his courtesy as presiding officer of Kalamazoo's city commission. He seldom engaged in heated controversy with persons and groups desiring to influence the commission, but rather would give his own time and that of the commission to a thorough discussion of all problems, pro and con arguments in such a manner that the commission might act justly.

(The above was written in 1935)



Michael Norris Kennedy

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Michael Norris Kennedy was born in Cortland, New York, October 12, 1861, son of John and Elizabeth Knight Kennedy.

The father worked by the day and operated a small farm. The mother died when Michael was seven years of age. Although he attended normal school in Cortland for a term or two, he was forced to leave school at the age of fifteen and took a job in a horse shoe nail factory, sorting nails. At the age of seventeen he joined the Cortland Wagon Company.

When Frederick Myers, M. Henry Lane, Ira Hicks, and others left the Cortland Wagon Company in January, 1881, to establish the Kalamazoo Wagon Company in Kalamazoo, Mr. Kennedy was brought along as a member of the firm, arriving March 22, 1881. He participated in the real beginnings of the wagon industry as a member of the Kalamazoo Wagon Company. When the wagon business gave way to the automobile, he opened a cigar store at South Burdick and West South streets and the place became noted as the

headquarters of the Kennedy Debating club. He sold this store March 1, 1933, exactly thirty years after he acquired it. For some time he had served as representative in Southwestern Michigan of Judge Charles B. Blair of Grand Rapids, Michigan, referee in bankruptcy, and continued in that service following the sale of his store.

Mr. Kennedy was a leader in the Democratic party, in which he had been active for more than half a century. He was once a member of the state central committee and was chairman for Kalamazoo county and for a long time he was treasurer of the county Democratic committee.

Mr. Kennedy was for many years a director of the Kalamazoo Building and Loan Association, and a member of the Elks.

Mr. Kennedy's first residence in Kalamazoo was at the American House. His first acquaintance in the city was with Charles B. Hays, then a clerk at the post office. He also made the early acquaintance of John H. Burke, Sr., who had come to Kalamazoo the same year from Homer, New York, only a few miles from Cortland.

During his long career, Mr. Kennedy witnessed nearly every major improvement in Kalamazoo. He

was present at the laying of the cornerstone of the old courthouse; saw the arrival of the electric light and telephone.

June 30, 1892, Mr. Kennedy was married to Franc Caroline Turner, who died December 28, 1935. There were no children.

Shortly before Mr. Kennedy's birth his parents had lost three sons with scarlet fever. Besides Michael, one sister survived, the former Mrs. Julia Kennedy Nix, who died in Chicago, where she had lived for some time. He was survived by a cousin, Mrs. Julia Layhe, Binghamton, New York; a brother-in-law, Frank Nix, Sr., and a nephew, Frank Nix, Jr., both of Forest Park, Illinois.

During the last two years and in the critical weeks of his illness, Mr. Kennedy was efficiently cared for by Mrs. Pauline Hande.

The esteem in which Mr. Kennedy was held by the community was demonstrated by two testimonial banquets given to him. The first was held on the day he retired from business. The second was held in December 1937, an event celebrated as the 34th annual reunion of the Kennedy Debating club. Though deeply moved by emotion in the realization that it would be his last participation in a social function of this

kind, he courageously opened the meeting, thumping his gavel and announcing, "The Kennedy Debating club will please come to order."

Suffering from devastating illness, he went down with colors flying, never admitting until the last few days that anything was seriously wrong. On Sunday he prophetically announced that he would "be here only three days more," and the end came as he had forecast, Wednesday evening, May 4, 1938, at his home, 603 Minor Avenue.

The impressive ritual of the Protestant Episcopal Church was read at the funeral service by the Reverend A. Gordon Fowkes, rector of St. Luke's, and the burial was in Mountain Home cemetery.

Attending the services were Miss Eleanor Baumgartner, member of the staff of Governor Frank Murphy; Judge Glenn Warner of Paw Paw; Attorney Chester C. Woolridge, Grand Rapids; Edward S. Desenberg, Chicago; Emmett Platt, Battle Creek; State Representative Elton R. Eaton, formerly of Kalamazoo, then of Plymouth, Michigan; Abe Dembinsky, Grand Rapids; and Ralph Bunting, Niles.

Fred Mills, clerk of the municipal court, attended the services as official representative of the Kalamazoo County Democratic Committee. The

bearers were all attorneys at law; Judge Warner of Paw Paw; Attorney Woolridge, Grand Rapids; Justice Gordon L. Stewart, William L. Fitzgerald, Stephen H. Wattles and Stanley C. Frost, all of Kalamazoo.

Franc C. Kennedy



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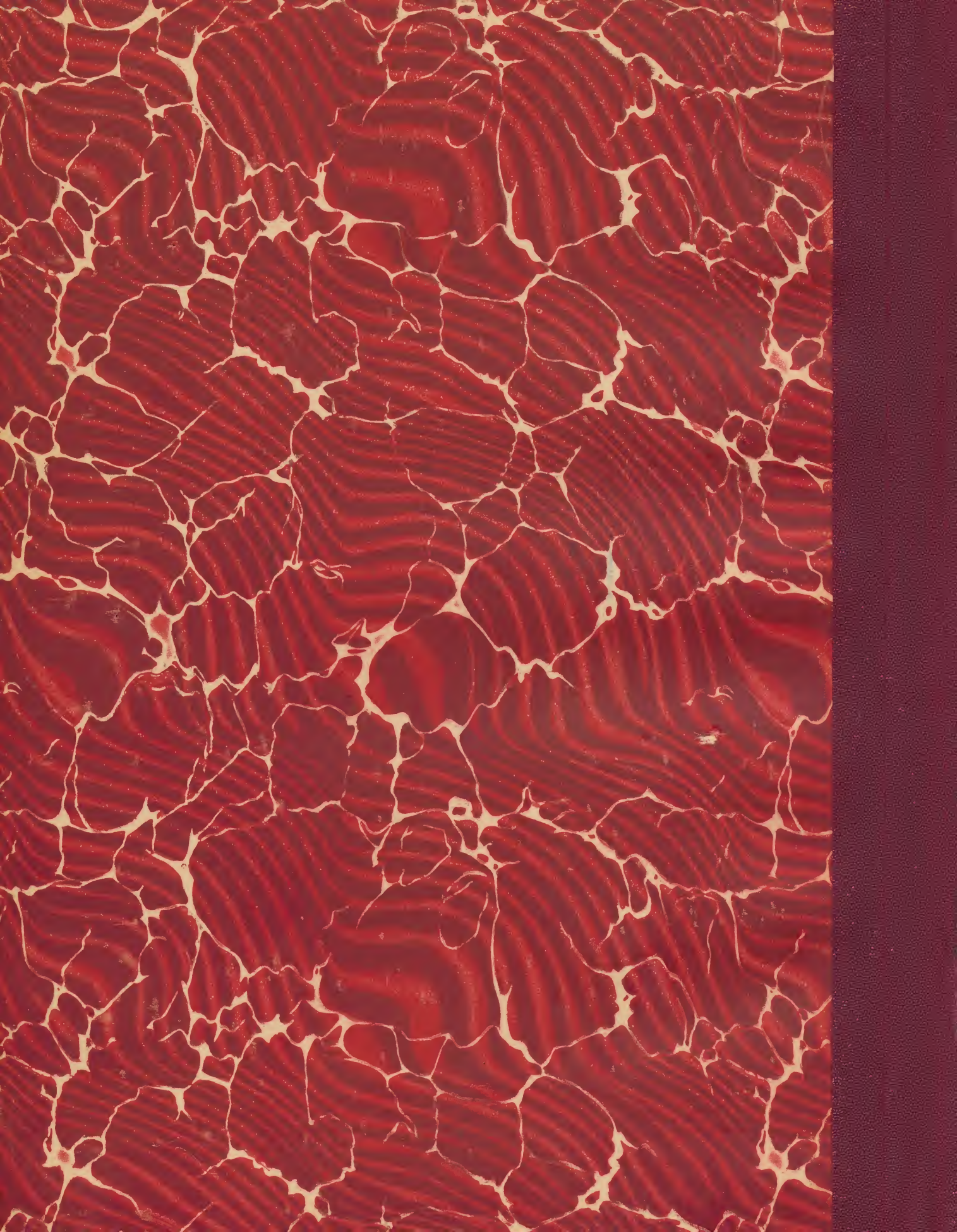
Franc Caroline Turner was born in Mendon Center, Monroe County, New York, August 15, 1862, daughter of Esther Sherwood and George T. Turner, and came to Kalamazoo County with her parents when she was five years of age, the family locating on a farm in Portage Center a short distance from what was later Milham Park.

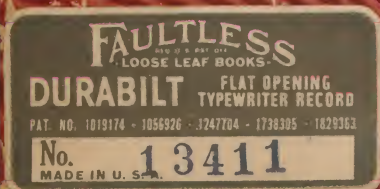
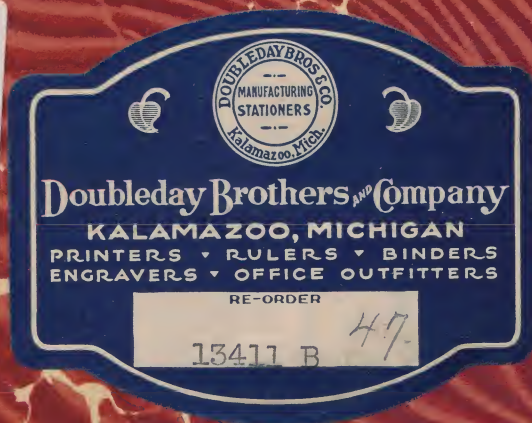
She attended the public schools of Kalamazoo and graduated in 1885 and became a teacher in Kalamazoo schools for eight years. She was principal of the grammar school until her marriage to Michael N. Kennedy June 30, 1892. Mr. Kennedy was born in Courtland, New York, October 12, 1861, son of Elizabeth Knight and John Kennedy, who was born in Ireland and died in the state of New York about 1896. Elizabeth Knight was born in Massachusetts and died about 1874. Michael Kennedy came to Kalamazoo in 1881 and worked for the Kalamazoo Wagon Company thirteen years. From 1894 to 1924 he engaged in the cigar and tobacco business, then retired and resides at 603 Minor avenue.

Mrs. Franc Kennedy had been a member of the

choirs in the Presbyterian and Baptist churches of Kalamazoo, and also belonged to the Ladies Library Association for many years. She was of Quaker ancestry and was an active member of the Peoples Church in Kalamazoo and had been president of the Ladies Aid Society and was a member of the board of trustees. She was a close personal friend of Dr. Caroline Bartlett Crane. She also was an active member of the Civic League and during the World War was in charge of classes at Central High school where the canning of fruit and vegetables was being taught at the time.

Death came to Mrs. Kennedy December 28, 1935. The funeral was conducted by the Reverend Edwin C. Palmer, pastor of the Peoples Church. Burial was in Mountain Home cemetery.





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